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SUBJ: PROJECT STORMFURY: WEATHER MODIFICATION, AUSTRALIA,
INFORMAL TECHNICAL TALKS

REF: A. STATE 84276 (NOTAL), B. CANBERRA 2510 (NOTAL),
C. STATE 077087 (NOTAL)

1. MERLIN C. WILLIAMS, DIRECTOR, WEATHER MODIFICATION PROGRAM, NOAA ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, BOULDER, COLORADO, WILL BE VISITING WELLINGTON FOR INFORMAL TECHNICAL TALKS OF A PRIMARILY COURTESY NATURE WITH NEW ZEALAND METEOROLOGICAL AUTHORITIES IN CONNECTION WITH NOAA'S PROPOSED HURRICANE-SEEDING EXPERIMENTS IN WESTERN PACIFIC IN 1979 AIMED AT GATHERING INFORMATION ON THE STORM ATTENUATING EFFECTS OF SUCH SEEDINGS.

2. AS NEW ZEALAND GENERALLY DOES NOT LIE IN HURRICANE BELT AND THUS WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE AFFECTED BY PROPOSED PROGRAM, WILLIAMS UNDERTAKING TRIP ON RECOMMENDATION OF AUSTRALIAN METEOROLOGICAL AUTHORITIES IN ORDER BRIEF NEW ZEALANDERS ON PROPOSED PLAN AND PERHAPS OBTAIN USEFUL METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION.

3. WILLIAM'S CONTACT IN NEW ZEALAND WILL BE DR. JOHN HICKMAN, DIRECTOR, NEW ZEALAND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE.
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4. WILLIAMS ARRIVING WELLINGTON MAY 5 ON NZ479 FROM AUCKLAND.

5. ALTHOUGH WILLIAMS NOT EXPECTING TO HAVE TO CONTACT EMBASSY, FOREGOING INFORMATION IS BEING PROVIDED IN CASE EMBASSY CONTACT PROVES NECESSARY AND IN CASE NEW ZEALAND AUTHORITIES QUERY EMBASSY.

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